

this whole picture was inflicted by Giardial infection alone or a coexistent gluten hypersensitivity, unfortunately follow up was not possible to evaluate their response to gluten free diet.

Revision of the diagnostic criterias of Celiac disease (in the form of standardization of serologic tests and pathologic criteria) is persistently called for by workers in this field^(1,35), with the need for a special consensus for diagnosis in developing countries.

Celiac disease is a common cause of malabsorption in Iraqi children, presenting a persistent diagnostic challenge to pediatricians and gastroenterologists, with the variable efficacy and availability of serological tests in the country, and the endemicity of parasitic infestations in the pediatric population with the mucosal changes they may induce, adding a challenge for additional efforts to clarify diagnostic criteria of CD, especially in developing countries.

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